

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<b>In re Application of:</b>	Robert A. Luciano, Jr. <i>et al.</i>	<b>Examiner:</b>	Flores Sanchez, Omar
<b>Application No.:</b>	09/596,650	<b>Group Art Unit:</b>	3724
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<b>Title:</b>	PRINTER TEAR BAR AND PRESENTER SYSTEM		<b>Customer No.</b> 30076

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This amendment is timely filed in response to the Office action of April 19, 2006. This amendment includes the text of all pending claims in addition to the remarks and arguments previously submitted in the response dated October 10, 2002. No new matter has been added.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Claims 22-34 are pending in the present application.

Claims 22 and 30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Claims 22, 23, 26, 28, 29, and 30-33 stand rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Saito *et al.* Claims 22-34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Michalovic in view of Ishii *et al.*